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MEMORANDUM (Internal ONE Distribution Only)

SUBJECT: DCI Request for Memoranda on Vietnam War

1. The DCI has asked ONE to produce memoranda by 12th May for his own use ("for his pocket") on five topics related to the Vietnam War.

2. The five topics given are:

- a. Chinese attitudes towards the Vietnamese war, including comments on GVN/allied successes China could tolerate in the south and in the north.
- b. Soviet attitudes towards the Vietnamese war, including GVN/allied successes the USSR could tolerate in the south and in the north.
- c. The international state of mind on Vietnam.

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- d. Probable North Vietnamese, Russian, Chinese, South Vietnamese and other countries reactions to a major increase over the next two years in US force strength and in the scope of US military action.
- e. Probable North Vietnamese, Russian, Chinese, South Vietnamese and other countries' reactions to a continuation over the next two years of present US military policies conducted with approximately present force levels.

3. Topic a: FE Staff will produce a draft. ☐ will work with the FE Staff.

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4. Topic b: SOV Staff will consider this topic, probably using SNIE 11-11 as the basis for our contribution.

5. Topic c: Matthias will produce a draft.

6. Topics d and e: FE Staff will produce a draft, probably combining both topics, drawing on other staffs for support. ☐ will work with the FE Staff.

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7. The CES will coordinate. Procedures for each memorandum will be worked out separately. The amount and kind of Board consideration called for will depend on decisions made with respect to each memo.

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